

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021] As shown in FIGURE 1, a set of seismic receivers R1, R2, . . . , Rn, such as multi-axis geophones, for example, and/or accelerometers and/or hydrophones, is lowered into the well 116 on drill string 112. Each seismic receiver Rn comprises, for example, a mono-axis or a multi-axis pickup such as a triphone, but may be any suitable type of receiver for receiving seismic waves. The receivers R1, R2, . . . , Rn can be encased in one or more well sondes as part of the drill string 112 and lowered into the well 116 from the rig 110. The receivers R1, R2, ..., Rn can also be placed in the drill string 112 in close proximity to the bit 114 and/or stabilizers, conventionally interposed along the drill string 112, so as to guarantee the best possible coupling of the receivers R1, R2, ...Rn with the surrounding formations 118, 120. It should be appreciated that the embodiment described involves receivers on a drill string. However, the receivers R1, R2, ..., Rn may also be lowered into the borehole 116 on a wireline tool or a work string. The receivers R1, R2, ..., R3 may also be permanently installed in the wellbore 116 in production casing or the like. The receivers R1, R2, ..., R3 may also be installed in the annulus between the casing and the wall of the borehole 116. ~~The~~ Alternatively, instead of using multiple receivers, there may also only need to be one receiver used.